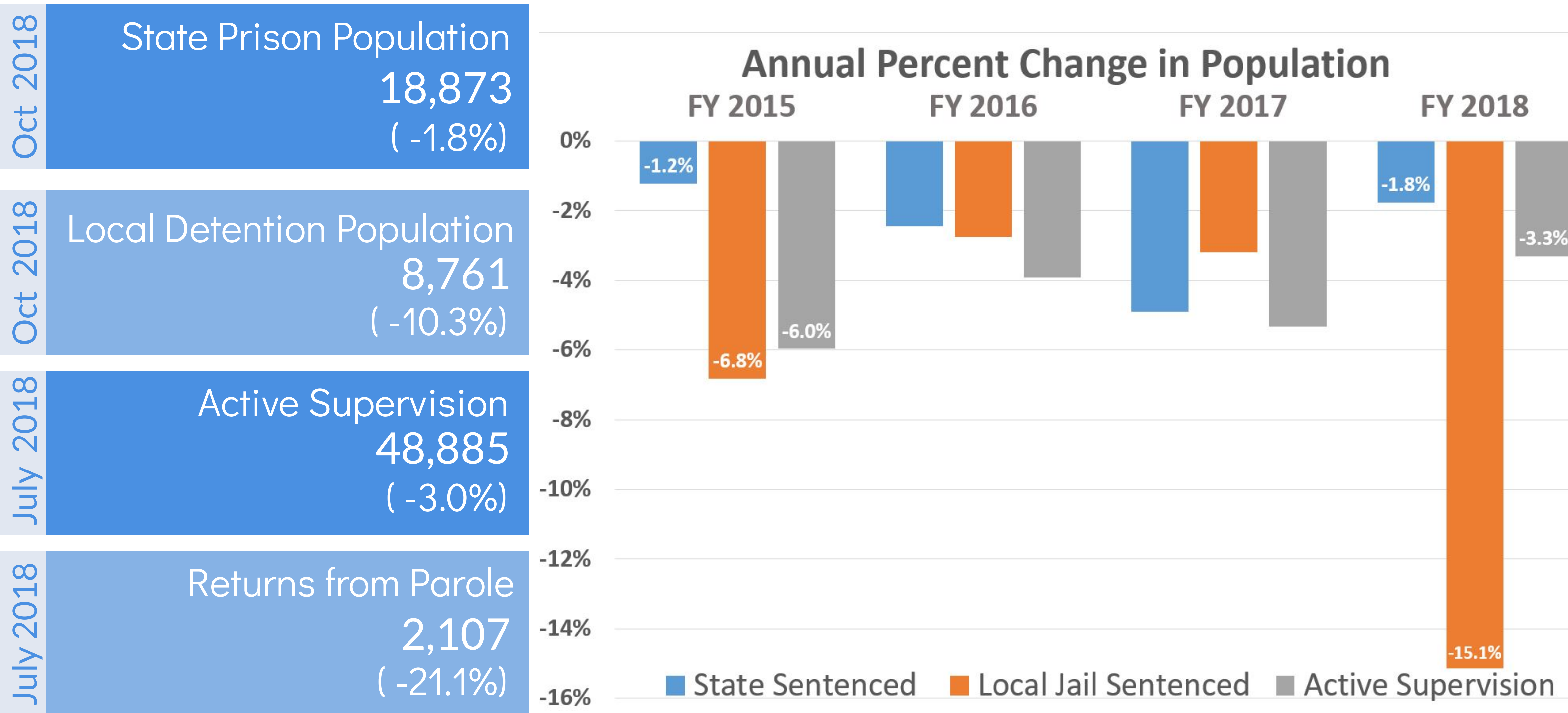


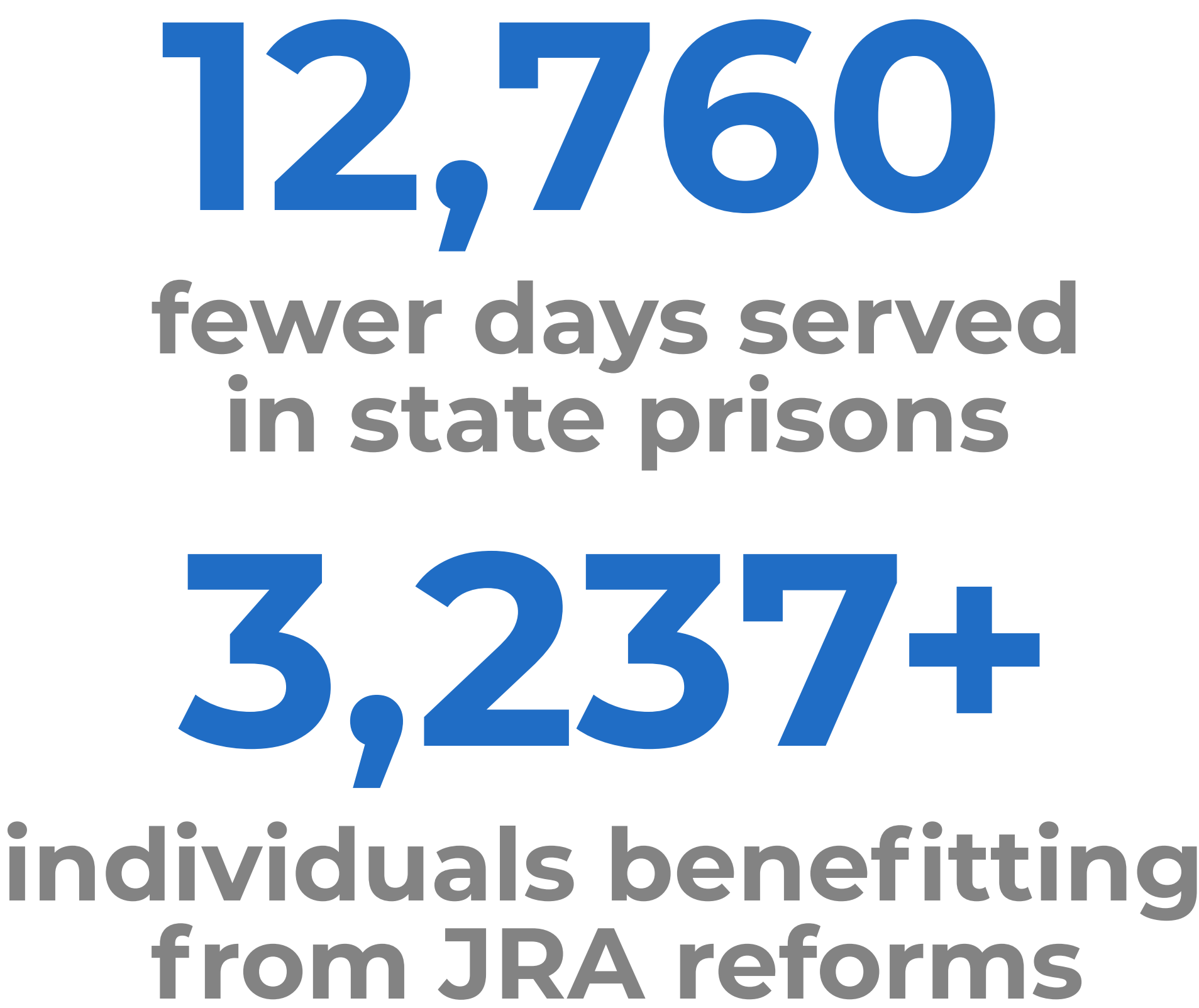
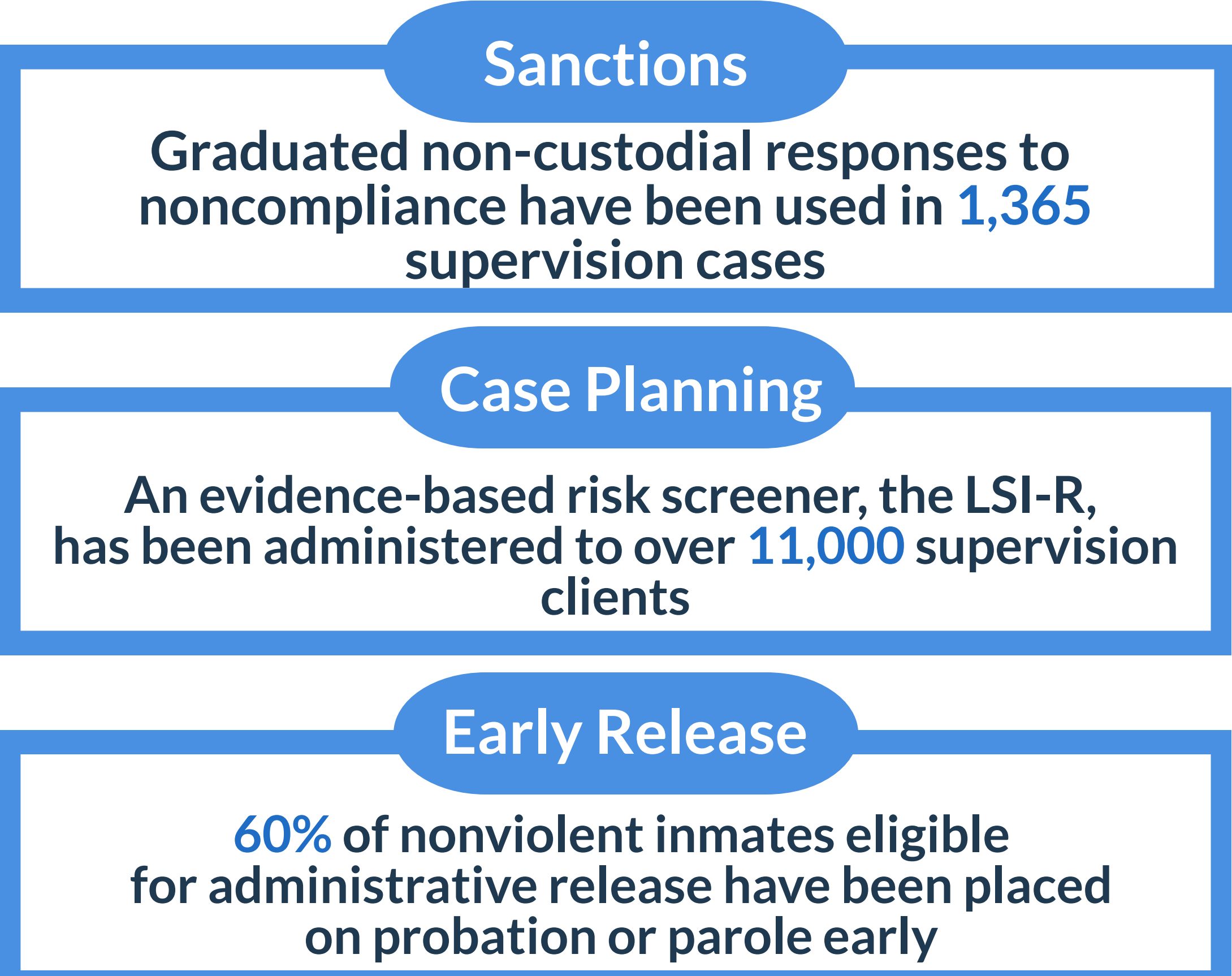
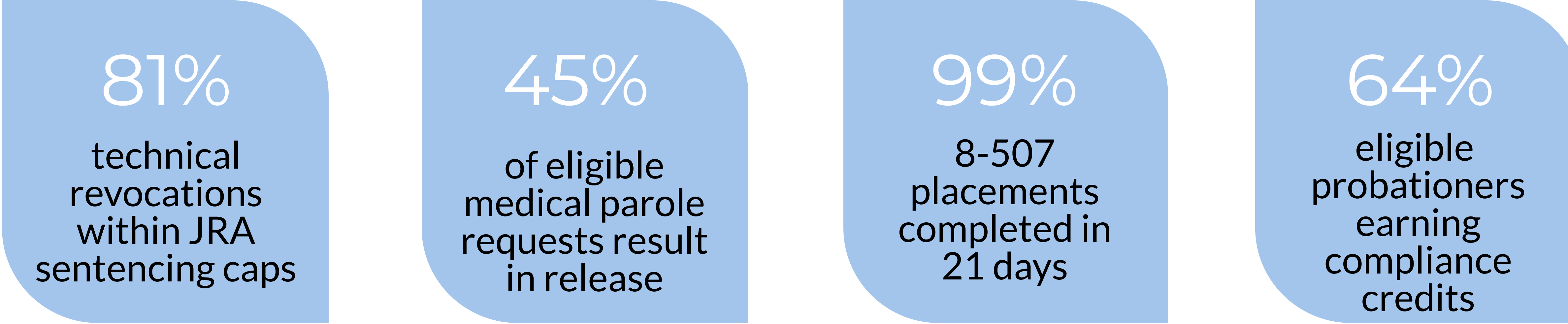
Justice Reinvestment Act Year 1 Spotlight



How are trends changing?



Initiative Spotlights



Justice Reinvestment Act Chapter 515



Road to Reinvestment

Seeking to maximize the public safety returns on Maryland's corrections spending, the bipartisan, inter-branch Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council (JRCC) was formed in 2015 to develop a statewide framework of sentencing and corrections policies to maximize reductions in Maryland's incarcerated population and crime rate. After analysis of Maryland's prison data, the JRCC made 19 recommendations that were submitted to Governor Hogan and the Maryland General Assembly.

The Justice Reinvestment Act (Chapter 515) represents the most comprehensive criminal justice reform to pass in a generation. It has been implemented by six state agencies with input and feedback from advocates in all sectors of the criminal justice system on the state and local level. The JRA works to hold individual offenders accountable for their actions and the government accountable for its responsibility to spend tax dollars wisely and ensure safe communities. It specifically directs saved money back to rehabilitation and system improvement to fund future improvements.

Major Provisions

01	Focuses prison beds on serious, repeat violent offenders	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focuses mandatory minimums on high-level drug dealers• Initial revocation caps for technical offenses of non-violent probationers
02	Emphasizes treatment for those struggling with addiction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 21-day deadline for placement in court-ordered treatment• Evidence-based risk screening upon DOC intake
03	Elevates the voices of victims of crime	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expanded victim restitution collection• Earmarked savings towards protecting and enhancing victims' rights
04	Strengthens community supervision	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Graduated sanctions matrix for technical offenses• Individualized case planning with risk screening
05	Expands opportunities for returning citizens	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Certificate of Rehabilitation restores professional license eligibility• Expanded expungement opportunities
06	Establishes oversight structure to ensure reforms are implemented as intended	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• State, local and advisory oversight• Quarterly public performance measurement

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The JRA's provisions became fully effective and have already resulted in a decrease in **both** state prison and local jail populations.

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